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IN TODAY'S MARKET...



RISK ASSESSMENT

It's Not Worth It



- Highly hedged: 94% committed and priced for 2009
- Limited exposure to metallurgical coal: 2% of production
- Limited 404 permit risk: CAPP surface mining 2% of production
- Low cost: approximately 95% of production from low cost mines
- Diversified operations benefit FCL across all market conditions
- Strong liquidity position, expected to be solidly cash positive



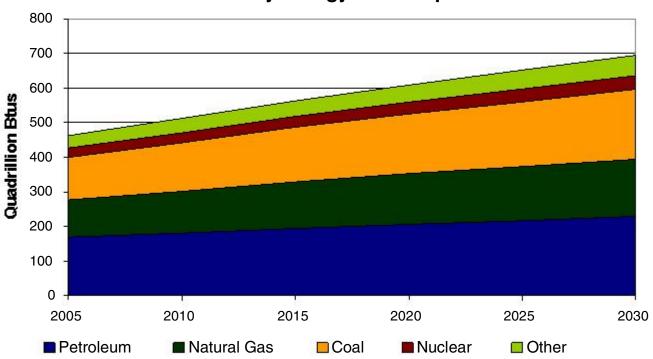
PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Industry Overview
 - Global Demand Growth
 - U.S. Market Projections
- Foundation Coal Investment Highlights
 - Attractive Asset Base
 - Well-positioned in Today's Market Environment
 - Positive Outlook for Organic Growth
 - Performance Track Record
 - Summary



WORLD ENERGY CONSUMPTION EXPECTED TO INCREASE DRAMATICALLY

World Primary Energy Consumption

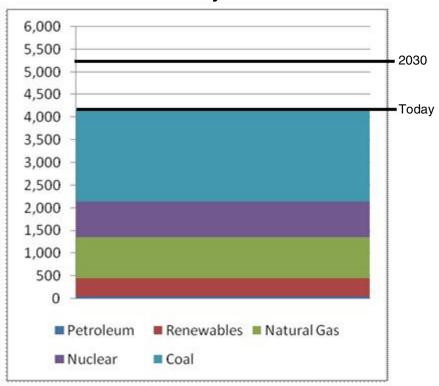


- Economic & population growth expected to drive energy consumption up 50% by 2030
- Coal demand is expected to increase 65% from 2005 to 2030
- Demand is expected to grow 120% in China and 79% in India from 2005 to 2030
- Together, China and India accounted for 44% of 2005 demand, rising to 57% by 2030 (contributing 78% of all growth)

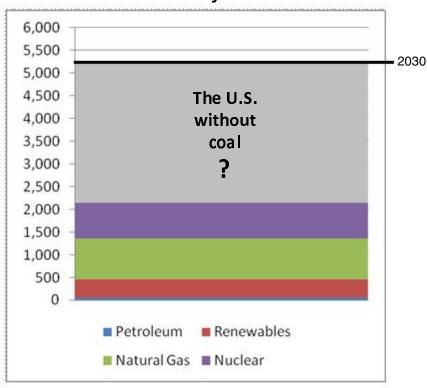


U.S. ELECTRICITY GENERATION

Billions of KwH by Fuel Source



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Source: DOE and Energy Information Administration, Annual Energy Outlook 2008, Reference Case

- The industry and FCL support technology-based solutions to address climate change, including Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS)
- Support exists among coal mining states and states that depend on low cost electricity from coal
- Economic growth and energy security depend on the U.S. fully utilizing its most affordable and plentiful source of energy: coal



U.S. COAL-FIRED GENERATION GROWTH

	June 2008 Report		Implied Annual
	Number of Plants	Capacity (MW)	Consumption (Tons)
Under Construction	29	16,534	
Near Construction	5	1,962	
Permitted	18	8,415	
SUBTOTAL	52	26,911	80 - 90 million
Announced (uncertain potential and timing)	58	37,438	
TOTAL	110	64,349	200 - 220 million

Source: United States Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, "Tracking New Coal-Fired Power Plants", June 2008

- Despite the cancellation or postponement of some projects, the U.S. is experiencing the largest expansion of coal-fired generation in 25 years
- 52 projects, representing over 26GWs of new generation and 80 − 90 million tons of new annual coal demand, are moving forward
- Over half of this new coal-fired generation will rely on Powder River Basin coal



DEMAND-SIDE GAME CHANGERS

- US military interested in coalto-liquids
- Oak Ridge National
 Laboratory study indicates
 that by 2020 plug-in hybrid
 electric vehicles will have
 25% market share, eventually
 requiring up to 160 large
 power plants to meet demand
- Brazil, Russia, India and China will require massive amounts of energy to satisfy their growing economies and large populations



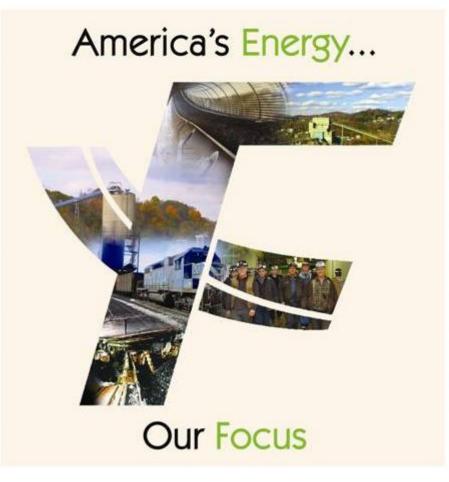


FOUNDATION COAL OVERVIEW

















SOLID MIX OF NAPP, CAPP & PRB – UNIQUE BALANCE OF OPERATIONS

Powder River Basin (PRB)

Production Capacity (tons MM) 55.0

LTM Shipments (tons MM) 50.0

LTM Avg. Realization (\$/Ton) \$9.75

Reserves (tons MM) 844

Btu Low

Sulfur Content Compliance

Northern Appalachia (NAPP)

Production Capacity (tons MM) 14.0

LTM Shipments (tons MM) 13.5

LTM Avg. Realization (\$/Ton) \$43.83

Reserves (tons MM) 742

Btu High

Sulfur Content Medium

Central Appalachia (CAPP)

Production Capacity (tons MM) 7.0

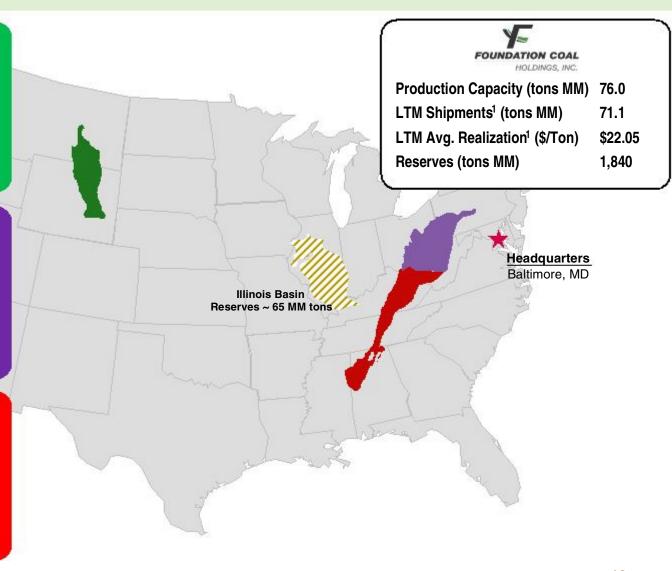
LTM Shipments (tons MM) 7.2

LTM Avg. Realization (\$/Ton) \$63.02

Reserves (tons MM) 191

Btu High

Sulfur Content Compliance & Low



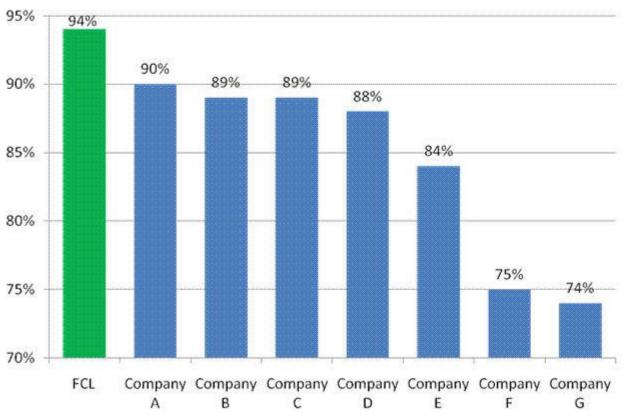
Notes: Shipments, sales, average realization for the twelve months ended 9/30/08, reserve figures as of 2/25/08. (1) Shipments, sales, and average realization include tons that were purchased and resold.



HIGHLY HEDGED POSITION

A highly hedged position entering a market of falling coal prices should reduce risk and provide greater visibility relative to the peer group

2009 Committed and Price Comparison as of 3Q08



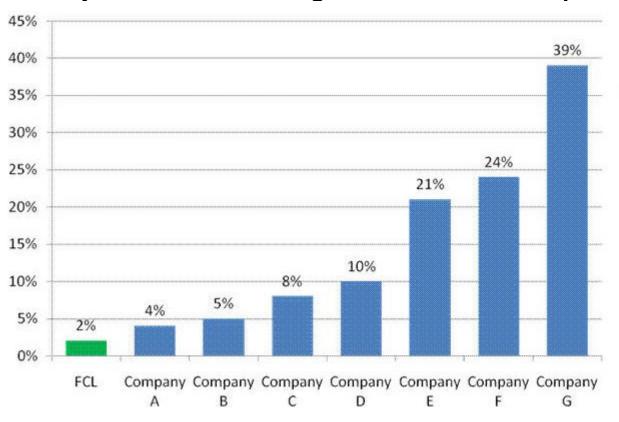
Foundation 2009 Avg. Realizations Per Ton			
	East	West	
4Q07	\$44.62	\$10.18	
1Q08	\$52.65	\$10.28	
2Q08	\$57.77	\$10.34	
3Q08	\$65.41	\$10.43	



LIMITED EXPOSURE TO MET COAL

Limited exposure to met coal in a market of decreasing steel demand should reduce risk and provide greater visibility relative to the group

Projected 2009 Metallurgical Coal as % of Output



 Over 60% of FCL's approx.
 1.5MTPY of met coal is committed and priced for 2009, of which nearly 90% is high quality Kingston coal



2008 PERFORMANCE INFLUENCED BY MET



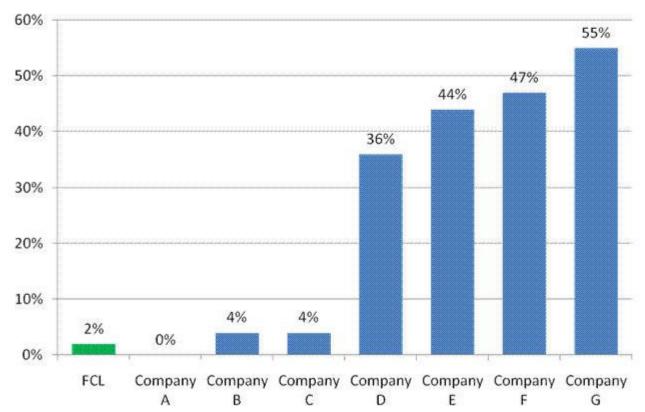
- The most dramatic price appreciation in the peer group during 1H08 was driven by met-heavy producers
- Facing sharp declines in met prices, companies with limited met exposure should be better positioned entering 2009



LIMITED EXPOSURE TO 404 PERMITTING

Limited CAPP surface mining should reduce risk and provide greater visibility relative to the peer group

Eastern Surface Mine Production as % of Total Production





ORGANIC GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

Powder River Basin		
Wyoming Operations	Expansion (MM tons/yr)	Capacity
Phase III (2011-2012)	10	65 MTPY
Eagle Butte LBA	255 Million Tons	2008 Sale (Successful)
Belle Ayr LBA	200 Million Tons	2010 Sale

Northern Appalachia		
Mine	Resource Description	Production
Foundation (2015-L/W)	~ 420 MM Ton Reserve	7 – 14 MTPY
Freeport (2013)	~ 68 MM Ton Reserve	2 – 3 MTPY (Steam/Met)

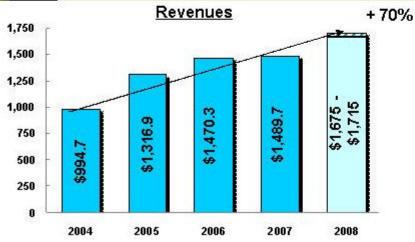
Central Appalachia		
Mine	Resource Description	Production
Harts Creek (2013)	~ 64 MM Ton Reserve	2 MTPY

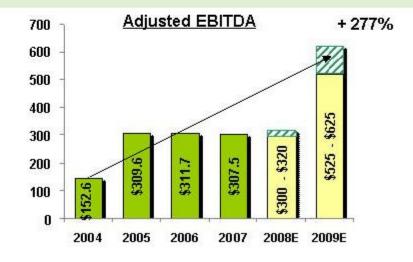
Coal Gas Recovery		
Location	Resource Description	Production
Northern Appalachia	~ 300 Bcf Resource	~ 3,000 Mcf/Day (current) (potential 10,000-20,000 Mcf/Day)



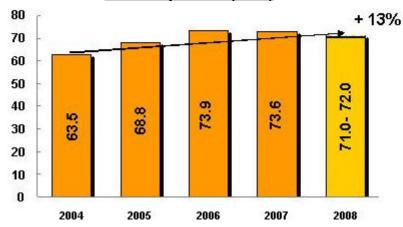
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STRONG GROWTH STORY AND FINANCIAL POSITION





Coal Shipments (tons)



In millions, except % increases and debt to adjusted EBITDA ratios 2004 data on a non-GAAP combined basis 2005-07 data reflect results for successor company 2008 data per 10/22/08 guidance Percentage increases based on mid-point of guidance

- Debt/'08E Adjusted EBITDA = 2x
- Consistent cash generation 2004–2008
- Positive cash generation expected in 2009
- Strong liquidity position with \$331 million available on revolving credit facility
- Share repurchases to date total \$86.5 million, leaving open authorization of \$113.5 million



4TH QUARTER PROGRESS

- 2 longwalls at the Emerald Mine performing well QTD
- QTD NAPP production of 2.7MTs compares to 2.7MTs produced during all of Q3, demonstrating surge capability at Emerald
- Strong NAPP performance expected to continue through the quarter
- PRB shipments lagging expectations
- FCL on track to meet 4Q08 projections



SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Excellent Industry Position

- Among the largest producers fourth by volume
- Nationally diversified only producer with a major presence in NAPP & PRB

Among The Best Positioned Coal Producers in Today's Economy

- Highly hedged 94% committed and priced for 2009
- Limited exposure to met coal 1.5MTPY of which 60+% is committed and priced for 2009
- Limited exposure to 404 permit issues in CAPP only 1.5MTPY of CAPP surface mining
- Large scale, long lived, low cost operations approximately 95% of production comes from large, low cost mines

Strong Financial Performance Anticipated in 2009

- Record Adjusted EBITDA expected in 2009
- Excellent liquidity position and consistent free cash flow generation
- Low 2.0x debt-to-2008E Adjusted EBITDA ratio provides significant financial flexibility

Delivering On Growth Strategy

- Organic production growth of approximately 20% to ~ 90MTPY near-term
- Selectively pursuing growth through acquisition

Attractive Valuation*

2009 EV/EBITDA of 2.0x for FCL versus 2.5x for other companies producing 50+MTPY

